

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
4 November 1957	4 Mi SE of Astoria, Mo.	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
Local _____ GMT 04/2130Z	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS	6. SOURCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE
10 minutes	one	not given
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	11. COMMENTS	
Egg shaped object, bright orange, very bright.	Without wind data, cannot properly evaluate. However, from description could be balloon. Case listed as insufficient data.	

FROM:

COMDR ATIC

PRESS REPORTS.

PART III. LEBELAND, TEXAS, "BLUE LIGHT" CASE. INFORMED BY COMMANDER, 1000TH AISS THAT INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY. FURTHER DATA DISCLOSE FOLLOWING:

- a. CONTRARY TO KEYHOE'S AND WASHINGTON PRESS REPORTS ONLY THREE, NOT NINE PERSONS WITNESSED INCIDENT.
- b. OBJECT OBSERVED FOR ONLY FEW SECONDS, AND NOT LENGTHY PERIOD AS IMPLIED BY PRESS.
- c. MIST, RAIN, THUNDERSTORMS AND LIGHTNING DISCHARGES IN SCENE OF INCIDENT, FACT NOT QUOTED BY NEWSPAPER RELEASES.
- d. THE FOLLOWING POSSIBILITIES, REPEAT POSSIBILITIES, BEING CHECKED, WHICH COULD RESULT IN UNUSUAL PHENOMENA OBSERVED PARTICULARLY UNDER DARKNESS, MIST AND RAIN: (1) BURNING GAS FROM OIL OPERATIONS IN THE AREA, REFLECTING OFF LOW CLOUD CEILING EXISTING AT THAT TIME, (2) DOWNDOWN POWER LINE GIVING OFF SPARK DISPLAY IN CONTACT WITH WET GROUND, (3) ELECTRICAL DISCHARGE OR SIMILAR PHENOMENA LIKE ST. ELMO'S FIRE CAUSED BY RIGHT COMBINATION OF WEATHER AND OTHER CONDITIONS, AND (4) "BALL LIGHTNING" A RARE, BUT NEVERTHELESS, POSSIBILITY IN VIEW OF LIGHTNING DISCHARGES IN VICINITY.

PART IV. SIGHTING AROUND WHITE SAND PROVING GROUND, NEW MEXICO AREA. INFORMED THAT MAJOR GENERAL LEIGHTON DAVIS, COMMANDER HAS SET UP INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO SIGHTINGS. REPORTED THAT PRINCIPAL ██████████ ENGINEER ██████████ T57-30463

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WITH THE MISSILE DEVELOPMENT CENTER, WHO MADE A STATEMENT TO ALAMOGORDO RADIO STATION REGARDING SUNBURN GIVEN OFF BY HEAT OF FLYING OBJECT THAT MADE A PASS NEAR HIS LOCATION, WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL FOR OBSERVATION.

PART V. REFERENCE DEMANDS OF [REDACTED] FOR RETURN OF HIS SAUCER FILM ALLEGEDLY WITHHELD BY THE AIR FORCE. MAYNER IS TELEVISION EDITOR OF TV STATION KVWT, CLEVELAND. HAS PUBLICLY ACCUSED AF OF THIS. FOLLOWING IS QUOTED FROM LETTER TO AFCIN-X, DATED 9 MARCH 1954. QUOTE 1. AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER HAS NO RECORD OF HAVING RECEIVED SUBJECT FILM FROM (MARINE) PRIVATE RALPH MAYNER.

2. LIFE MAGAZINE, IN RECENT TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH ATIC, INDICATED THAT IT (FILM) HAD BEEN ORIGINALLY TURNED OVER TO A NAVAL BASE. IF THIS IS THE CASE, THE FILM WOULD HAVE REMAINED WITH NAVAL INTELLIGENCE. UNQUOTE.

IT APPEARS THAT [REDACTED] DESIRES TO COMMERCIALIZE ON THE CURRENT "SAUCER SIGHTINGS" FUROR.

PART VI. REGARDING POSSIBLE DECLASSIFICATION AND RELEASE OF BRIEFING GIVEN TO MEMBER OF OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, DR. ROBERTSON, REFERENCE IS MADE TO FORM AFHQ O-86 MESSAGE TO AFCIN-XI, DATED 18 OCTOBER 57, ATTENTION: MAJOR BYRNE ON SAME SUBJECT. IN BRIEF, THIS CENTER INTERPOSES NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE. HOWEVER, DECISION TO RELEASE LIES WITH AFCIN AND SAFIS.

PART VII. ATTENTION IS INVITED TO FACT THAT MEMBER OF

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NICAP WAS IMMEDIATELY DISPATCHED TO LEVELLAND TEXAS TO INVESTIGATE. SIGNIFICANT TO POINT OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THIS ORGANIZATION CONTINUOUSLY IMPLIES USAF NOT QUALIFIED TO INVESTIGATE, OR DO NOT RELEASE THEIR FINDINGS, IT HAS NOT MADE ANY STATEMENTS REGARDING ITS OWN FINDINGS OR CONCLUSIONS. DESIRABLE IF NICAP WOULD MAKE ITS FINDINGS KNOWN FIRST, THEN USAF COULD QUERY HOW ANALYSIS PERFORMED AND CONCLUSIONS DERIVED. IN ALL PROBABILITY NICAP WILL LET USAF MAKE FIRST STATEMENT, THEN WILL MAKE THE USUAL CHARGES.

PART VIII. MAKING CHECK FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ATIC'S ENTRY INTO UFO PROGRAM AND EARLY HISTORY REGARDING DOCUMENTS WHICH BROUGHT THIS ABOUT.

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TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC

RJEDFL/COMDR AIR TECHCQL. INTELLIGENCE CENTER

RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HEADQUARTER USAF

BT

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH JCADE INTERIM CHANGE 1 TO CONAD 55-1
THE FOLLOWING UFOS IS SUBMITTED:

- A 1. EGG
2. SIZE DFA STORAGE BE.
3. BRIGHT ORANGE
4. 1
5. NA
6. NONE
- 7.
8. NONE
9. NONE

- B. 1. PILOT WAS BELOW OVERCAST AND OBJECT WAS VERY BRIGHT
2. 23. 3000 FT FROM ABOUT 5 MI AWAY *in what direction*
4. NONE
5. PASSED OVER OBJECT *← Note: Passed over object, should have got better look at object.*
6. 10 MINUTES

- C. 1. VISUAL OBSERVATION

2. NONE USED

3. (DC-3) D-1359 (27) HEADING 150 KTS SPEED ST. LOUIS, MO

- D. 1. NOV 4, 2130Z-2140Z 2130-6 = 1530

2. (DAY)

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2 } 4E4
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 2. & 3. 3000 FT FROM ABOUT 5 MI AWAY *in what direction*
 4. NONE

5. PASSED OVER OBJECT *← Note! Passed over object. Should have got better look at object.*
 6. 10 MINUTES)

C. 1. VISUAL OBSERVATION
 2. NONE USED
 3. DC-3 D-1359 270 HEADING 150 KTS SPEED ST. LOUIS, MO

D. 1. NOV 4, 2130Z-2140Z 2130 - 6 = 1530
 2. DAY

E. 1. 40 12'N 90 17'W

F. 1. CIVILIAN-
 MO PHONE *[REDACTED]* 28 YRS. *[REDACTED]* FLOCIEANT,
 CAPT - OZARK AIR LINES

2. , -

REPEATING LAST LINE

2. NA

G. 1. FAIR WITH OVERCAST

2. NO WINDS ALOFT 3500 FT CEILING

3. *No wind data given.*

4. FAIR 7 MILES

5. OVERCAST

6. NONE

H. 1. RECEIVING DUBUQUE IOWA RADIO VERYWEAK ALL OTHER RADIOS RECEIVING LOUD AND CLEAR

1560 250019

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2. (DAY)

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2. (C) -

REPEATING LAST LINE

2. NA

G. 1. FAIR WITH OVERCAST

2. NO WINDS ALOFT (5500 FT CEILING)

3.

No wind data given.

4. FAIR 7 MILES

5. OVERCAST

6. NONE

H. 1. RECEIVING DUBUQUE IOWA RADIO VERYWEAK ALL OTHER RADIOS RECEIVING
LOUD AND CLEAR

I. 1. NONE

J. 1. NONE

K. 1ST LT. JAMES PROWELL. 798 AC&W NO COMMENTS

L. NONE

8

05/2355Z NOV RJEDKF

with out the wind data, cannot
evaluate; however, the description
of the object is of a balloon.

Post balloon

MEMO ROUTING SLIP		NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS	
1 NAME OR TITLE	INITIALS		CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	DATE		COORDINATION
2 Memo to self. Dictate tomorrow			FILE INFORMATION
3 Telephone			NECESSARY ACTION
4 Report from investigation Little field.			NOTE AND RETURN SEE ME SIGNATURE
REMARKS			
Report from investigation - field: 1. Stokes Heartfield was influenced by Levelland, Tex. sightings. 2. Appears to exhibit gullibility. 3. Passes himself off as engineer to Rodeo, Tex., & Cross to whom he gave story 15 th . - but is actually a technician. 4. Probably saw conventional object, and made it appear unusual.			
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ORO GRANDE, NEW MEX INCIDENT
4 NOV 57 (See Part IV)

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FROM: COMDR ATIC						SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

TO: ACS/1, WASHINGTON, D.C. ATTN: AFCIN-XL MAJ BYRNES

[REDACTED] /FROM: AFCIN-4E4 CITE IC 41030

REFERENCE PREVIOUS MESSAGE IN EIGHT PARTS, DTD 8 NOVEMBER 1957. THIS IS ADDITIONAL INFO RE HIGHLY PUBLICIZED INCIDENTS.

REF. PART I OF PREVIOUS MSG: INVESTIGATION OF ANOTHER SOURCE IN AREA WHO CLAIMS THAT HIS IGNITION STALLED AT TIME OF [REDACTED] SIGHTING, DISCLOSED THAT HIS DISTRIBUTOR ROTOR WAS CHANGED IN HIS TRUCK DAY BEFORE. FURTHER, STATEMENT FROM MECHANIC INDICATES THAT PIECE OF OLD ROTOR LATER FOUND WEDGED IN BETWEEN POINTS.

REF. PART IV, [REDACTED] INCIDENT: HOSPITAL EXAMINATION REVEALS NO BURNS ON [REDACTED] UNDER EXAMINATION ADMITS THAT HE HAD EXPERIENCED RADIO FADE-OUT IN THAT AREA PREVIOUSLY. WITNESSES WHOM [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE JOTTED DOWN CANNOT BE FOUND AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH. [REDACTED] EVALUATED AS UNRELIABLE

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COMDR ATIC

REF PART IV, MILITARY PATROLS INCIDENTS: INVESTIGATION MADE OF 3 OR 4 MEMBERS WHO OBSERVED UFOS AT SEPARATE TIMES IN WHITE SANDS PROVING GROUNDS. FOLLOWING DISCLOSED:

- a. SOURCES AGES 17 to 21, QUITE IMPRESSIONABLE.
- b. INDICATED THAT NOT PARTICULARLY OBSERVANT OR ANALYTICAL.
- c. ALL MEMBERS HAD DISCUSSED PHENOMENA AMONG THEMSELVES, WHICH PROBABLY ACCOUNTS FOR ALMOST IDENTICAL STORIES.
- d. THEY GAVE STORY FIRST TO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS.
- e. ASTRO PLOTS INDICATE VENUS AT ITS MAGNITUDE AT TIME, PLACE AND DIRECTION OF FIRST PATROL'S OBSERVATION. MOON IN GENERAL DIRECTION OF SECOND PATROL'S OBSERVATION, WITH SCATTERED CLOUDS.

PASS ON TO MAJOR TACKER, SAFIS. CAPTAIN GREGORY COULD NOT CONTACT MAJOR TACKER, MONTS OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE OFFICE, SATURDAY. INFORMATION GIVEN TO MISTER HOWELL. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEGATIVE GIVEN TO LIFE MAGAZINE BY SOURCE. AISS DETACHMENT, NORTON AFB SAYS PRINT WILL BE OBTAINED SOON. ASSUMPTION GIVEN TO MISTER HOWELL NOW APPEARS VALID.

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FROM: SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

COMDR ATIC

TO: ACS/I, WASHINGTON, D.C. ATTN: AFCIN-XL, MAJ BYRNE

[REDACTED] FROM: AFCIN-4E4 CITE

THIS MESSAGE IN EIGHT PARTS. REFERENCE NUMEROUS PRESS QUERIES TO HEADQUARTERS USAF AND ATIC DURING LAST THREE DAYS REGARDING UFO INCIDENTS THROUGHOUT U.S. GIVEN WIDE PUBLICITY, AND YOUR REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE CONCLUSIONS OR FINDINGS.

PART I. KEARNEY, NEBRASKA "SPACE SHIP" INCIDENT. SOURCE, [REDACTED] CONSIDERED WHOLLY UNRELIABLE SOURCE.

HAS WIDE CRIMINAL RECORD, THREE YEARS IN PENITENTIARY, AND HAS REFUSED TO TAKE LIE DETECTOR TESTS. LOCAL SHERIFF STATES HE CAN BREAK [REDACTED] STORY TO MAKE HIM PERSONALLY ADMIT STORY WAS A HOAX. BELIEVE PORTION OR ALL OF THIS RELEASED TO PRESS. THEREFORE, USAF RELEASE TO PUBLIC CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE.

PART II. GULF OF MEXICO, COAST GUARD CUTTER "SABEGO" SIGHTING 200 MILES SOUTH OF NEW ORLEANS. FACTS SOMEWHAT

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COMDR ATIC

CONTRARY TO PRESS REPORTS. FROM LIMITED DATA IN OFFICIAL REPORT, REFERENCE TT MESSAGE CGC SEBAGO WPG 42, COPY YOUR HEADQUARTERS. FOLLOWING CONSIDERED OUR TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS:

- a. IMPRESSION THAT ONLY ONE OBJECT OBSERVED APPEARS ERRONEOUS. FOUR SEPARATE TARGETS INDICATED. 3 ON RADAR, ONE VISUALLY.
- b. EACH TIME SUCCEEDING TARGET PICKED UP IT WAS IN ALMOST DIRECT OPPOSITE DIRECTION FROM PRECEDING TARGET AND SOME DISTANCE AWAY.
- c. A TIME-DISTANCE PLOT INDICATES ONE TARGET RETURN HAD SPEED APPROXIMATELY 250 MPH, ANOTHER 660 MPH, SUGGESTING PROPELLER TYPE AND JET AIRCRAFT RESPECTIVELY.
- d. VISUALLY SIGHTING ONLY 3 SECONDS, BRILLIANT LIKE PLANET, MOVING WITH HIGH SPEED, BUT HORIZONTALLY, REPEAT HORIZONTALLY, AGAIN SUGGESTIVE OF AIRCRAFT.
- e. AREA OF INCIDENT IS SCENE OF MANY FLIGHTS AND OPERATIONS OF NAVY AND AIR FORCE. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT CHECK THE COUNTLESS POSSIBLE ORIGIN OF AIRCRAFT AND THEIR FLIGHT PLANS.
- f. ON BASIS OF ABOVE, MANEUVERS AND SPEEDS SUGGESTIVE OF CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT FOR MOST PART. HOWEVER, THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE AND DISAPPEARANCE OF THE TARGETS COULD BE INDICATIVE OF SPURIOUS RETURNS (FALSE TARGETS). IN ANY EVENT, MORE THAN ONE RETURN IS INDICATED, CONTRARY TO

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